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The governor's current proposal not to continue funding our teacher's supplemental insurance is unacceptable.

Teachers fund this insurance and as an active teacher I have been dutifully doing so in good faith that the state will live up to its part in continuing to fund this. I am planning to retire in the not so distant future and am relying on this money to help me do so.

If the state does not live up to its obligation and does not continue funding this health insurance, it will put the fund that so many teachers have contributed to over their working lifetime in serious jeopardy. Let us not forget that the law **requires** the state to pay one-third of the medical costs of retirees.

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